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Statement on Pebble Partnership's Economic Study, May 30, 2013

Trout Unlimited is surprised at the news that the Pebble Limited Partnership has released an economic study touting jobs and benefits of the mine when they have repeatedly said they have no mine plan to evaluate.

"Pebble consistently claims they don't have a mine plan so it's hard to comment on a study that makes up job creation numbers based on a phantom mine. If pebble wants to engage in this debate, they need to admit they have a plan and share it with the public," said Tim Bristol, director of TU's Alaska Program.

"Pebble has a well-established track record of understating the costs and risks associated with a giant open-pit mine at Bristol Bay's headwaters and exaggerating the benefits. This report is the latest example of this behavior. What we do know with certainty is that painstakingly peer reviewed science tells us these guys will put 14,000 real-world jobs out of commission. PLP can tout all the numbers it wants, but it won't change the fact that the Pebble Mine is simply a risk not worth taking."

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